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Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

Friday, 30 November 2007

Security Council

10 a.m. 5788th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

Morning¹ Consultations of the whole (closed) Consultations Room

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question²

Other matters

¹To be held following the adjournment of the 5788th meeting.

²With a view to a formal meeting.

Military Staff Committee

11 a.m.– 1627th meeting Conference Room 9
1 p.m. (closed)

General Assembly

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10 a.m. 59th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

The situation in the Middle East [17]

- (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/62/327 and A/62/344)
- (b) Draft resolutions (A/62/L.22 and A/62/L.23)

General Assembly

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**Informal consultations on agenda item 77 (a)
(Oceans and the law of the sea)**

10 a.m.– 1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

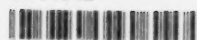
3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

General Assembly

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Informal "informal" consultations

Informal "informal" consultations (closed) on draft resolution A/C.2/62/L.37 related to the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development will be held today, 30 November 2007, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7.



Security Council

The Security Council Ad Hoc Working Group on Conflict Prevention and Resolution in Africa will hold a seminar (open) on the item entitled "An effective global conflict prevention strategy in Africa, the role of the Security Council". The Seminar will be held on Monday, 3 December 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

General Assembly

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Informal consultations of the whole on a draft resolution under agenda item 44 (Implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the Political Declaration on HIV/AIDS)

The first informal consultations of the whole (closed), convened by the facilitators H.E. Mrs. Tiina Intelmann (Estonia) and H.E. Mr. Samuel Outlule (Botswana), on a draft resolution entitled "Organization of the 2008 comprehensive review of the progress achieved in realizing the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the Political Declaration on HIV/AIDS", will be held on Monday, 3 December 2007, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Informal meeting of the plenary on the implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy¹

An informal meeting of the plenary on the implementation of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy will be held on Tuesday, 4 December 2007, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1.

¹A letter from the President of the General Assembly was sent by facsimile to all Permanent Representatives and Observers on 21 November 2007.

General Assembly

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Commemorative High-level Plenary Meeting Devoted to the Follow-up to the Outcome of the Special Session on Children (11-12 December 2007)

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings of the Commemorative High-level Plenary Meeting Devoted to the Follow-up to the Outcome of the Special Session on Children is open. Delegations wishing to participate in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940B; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; fax 1 (212) 963-3783; e-mail dizon@un.org).

Delegations are further reminded that statements should not exceed seven minutes each.

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

Main Committees**Second Committee**

3-4.30 p.m. 30th meeting Conference Room 2

Sustainable development [54]

- (a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/62/L.13 and A/C.2/62/L.40

- (b) Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/62/L.16 and A/C.2/62/L.41

- (d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/62/L.12 and A/C.2/62/L.38

- (g) Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twenty-fourth session

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/62/L.14 and A/C.2/62/L.39

[*Note:* Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, should be submitted to Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950E; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Delegations wishing to reserve rooms and schedule informal "informal" consultations are requested to contact, *no later than 6.30 p.m. of the day before the meeting*, the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Danielle Maillard-Lejano (tel. 1 (917) 367-9728; or e-mail maillard-lejano@un.org)).]

Fifth Committee

10-11 a.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 128 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009: Capital master plan project (A/62/364, A/62/364/Corr.1, A/62/5 (Vol. V), A/62/281 (Part I) (paras. 72-75), A/62/7/Add.4 and A/62/7/Add.4/Corr.1))

11 a.m.-1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 137 (Administration of justice at the United Nations (A/62/294, A/62/179, A/61/891, A/61/936, A/62/7/Add.7, A/62/311 and A/C.5/62/11))

3-6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 128 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009:

(A/62/6 (Introduction), A/62/6 (Introduction)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 1), A/62/6 (Sect. 2), A/62/6 (Sect. 3), A/62/6 (Sect. 4), A/62/6 (Sect. 4)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 5), A/62/6 (Sect. 6), A/62/6 (Sect. 7), A/62/6 (Sect. 8), A/62/6 (Sect. 8)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 9), A/62/6 (Sect. 10), A/62/6 (Sect. 11), A/62/6 (Sect. 12), A/62/6 (Sect. 12)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 13), A/62/6 (Sect. 14), A/62/6 (Sect. 15), A/62/6 (Sect. 16), A/62/6 (Sect. 17), A/62/6 (Sect. 18), A/62/6 (Sect. 19), A/62/6 (Sect. 19)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 20), A/62/6 (Sect. 21), A/62/6 (Sect. 22), A/62/6 (Sect. 23), A/62/6 (Sect. 23)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 24), A/62/6 (Sect. 24)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 25), A/62/6 (Sect. 26), A/62/6 (Sect. 27), A/62/6 (Sect. 28), A/62/6 (Sect. 28A), A/62/6 (Sect. 28A)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 28B), A/62/6 (Sect. 28B)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 28C), A/62/6 (Sect. 28C)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 28D), A/62/6 (Sect. 28E), A/62/6 (Sect. 28E)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 28E)/Corr.2, A/62/6 (Sect. 28F), A/62/6 (Sect. 28G), A/62/6 (Sect. 29), A/62/6 (Sect. 29)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 30), A/62/6 (Sect. 31), A/62/6 (Sect. 32), A/62/6 (Sect. 33), A/62/6 (Sect. 34), A/62/6 (Sect. 35), A/62/6 (Income Sect. 1), A/62/6 (Income Sect. 2) and A/62/6 (Income Sect. 3));

Section 33, Safety and security, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 (A/62/91);

Consolidated report on the changes to the biennial programme plan as reflected in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 (A/62/80, A/62/80/Corr.1, A/62/80/Corr.2, A/62/80/Corr.3 and A/62/80/Add.1);

Experience of the utilization of the contingency fund (A/62/229);

Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/62/7, A/62/7/Corr.1 and A/62/349); and

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/62/16 (Chap. III B))

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3-6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Executive session

General Assembly

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Main Committees

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Erik Lundberg (on behalf of the Chairperson of the Second Committee), under agenda item 54 (a) (Agricultural technology for development)

From 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Facilitator, Mr. Eduardo Menez (Philippines), under agenda item 56 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Mr. Mikio Mori (Japan), under agenda item 57 (b) (Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation)

From 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room S-770.

Facilitator, Mr. Noel González Segura (Mexico), under agenda item 59 (c) (South-South cooperation for development)

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitators, Ms. Mateja Vodeb Ghosh (Slovenia) and Ms. Zhanar Kulzhanova (Kazakhstan), under agenda item 58 (b) (Women in development)

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Facilitator, Ms. Melanie Santizo-Sandoval (Guatemala), under agenda item 54 (h) (Sustainable mountain development)

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

Vice-Chairman, Mr. Peter Le Roux (South Africa), under agenda item 52 (b) (International financial system and development)

From 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Vice-Chairman, Mr. Peter Le Roux (South Africa), under agenda item 52 (a) (International trade and development)

From 12.30 to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Mr. Harald Aspelund (Iceland), under agenda item 55 (Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat))

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Facilitator, Mr. Harald Fries (Sweden), under agenda item 61 (Towards global partnerships)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Ms. Lilit Toutkhalian (Armenia), under agenda item 60 (Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Vice-Chairman, Mr. Peter Le Roux (South Africa), under agenda item 52 (c) (External debt crisis and development)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Ms. Laura Canuto (Italy), under agenda item 54 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity)

From 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Facilitator, Mr. Thomas Gass (Switzerland), under agenda item 59 (b) (Triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Facilitator, Mr. Galetsajwe Lealola Rebagamang (Botswana), under agenda item 58 (a) (Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006))

From 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

Friday, 30 November 2007

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 71) (convened by the delegation of Portugal (on behalf of the European Union))

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (under agenda item 71 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Other meetings

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Friday, 30 November 2007

Arab Group (Third Committee experts)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (sixth session)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Group of 77 (on all the remaining Second Committee draft resolutions)

10 a.m.–3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

4–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

4.30–5.30 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Other activities

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Friday, 30 November 2007

Friends of the International Criminal Court: Presentation by the Executive Director of the ICC Trust Fund for Victims (organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein)

From 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[The meeting is open to members of Permanent Missions and Permanent Observer Missions and Secretariat staff.]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/pressg/conf.htm>.

Friday, 30 November 2007

Room S-226

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

Informal consultations on agenda item 71 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance) and its sub-items (a) to (c) and agenda item 72 (Assistance to survivors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda, particularly orphans, widows and victims of sexual violence)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under agenda item 71 and sub-items (a) to (c) and agenda item 72, chaired by H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Hoscheit (Luxembourg), will be held on Monday, 3 December 2007, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Monday, 3 December 2007 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Assistance and Support to Victims of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse

The Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Assistance and Support to Victims of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse will be held on Monday, 3, to Friday, 7 December 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

**Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of
Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works
Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East**

The Ad hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Tuesday, 4 December 2007, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Peacebuilding Commission

Second session

The Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will hold its 2nd meeting, on Wednesday, 5 December 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

**International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All
Migrant Workers and Members of their Families**

Meeting of the States Parties

Third Meeting

The Third Meeting of the States Parties will take place on Thursday, 6 December 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The documents for the Meeting are CMW/SP/6, CMW/SP/7, CMW/SP/7/Add.1 and CMW/SP/3.

Quorum

Pursuant to article 72, paragraph 4 of the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, the necessary quorum for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are 37 States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is 26 States Parties. There have been instances in the past where meetings of the States Parties have been substantially delayed or called off due to the lack of quorum. In order to avoid such occurrences, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present at the scheduled time of the meeting.

Credentials

The credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the Meeting. The credentials may be brought or sent to the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (room S-2914).

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Informal briefings

The UNICEF Executive Board will hold informal briefings in preparation for the first regular session of 2008:

Informal briefing on the 2008-2009 biennial support budget: Monday, 3 December 2007, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Henry Labouisse Hall, UNICEF House (First basement);

Informal briefing on private fundraising and partnerships: Friday, 7 December 2007, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 7;

Informal briefing on the evaluation policy: Friday, 14 December 2007 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 7; and

Informal briefing on the 2008-2009 biennial support budget: Monday, 17 December 2007, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Henry Labouisse Hall, UNICEF House (First basement).

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

**Executive Board of the United Nations
Development Programme and of the
United Nations Population Fund**
Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold informal consultations on the UNDP's accountability system (accountability framework and oversight policy), on Friday, 7 December 2007, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Economic and Social Chamber. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

**Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened
by delegations**

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa" (under agenda item 47) (convened by the delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania, on behalf of the African Group)

Monday, 3 December 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3; and

Wednesday, 5 December 2007, from 1.15. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Informal consultations on "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (agenda item 71) (convened by the delegation of Portugal)

Tuesday, 4 December 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Group of Interested States for the Special Court for Sierra Leone (briefing by the Registrar of the Special Court) (sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

Monday, 3 December 2007, from 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All Member States are invited to attend.]

Coalition for the International Criminal Court: meeting between governments and non-governmental organizations on situations before the ICC (organized by the Permanent Mission Liechtenstein)

Monday, 3 December 2007, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

United Nations Development Programme (first meeting in the process of consultation with Member States on the Human Development Report))

Friday, 14 December 2007, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[Interested delegations are invited to attend.]

Forthcoming other activities

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UNRWA briefing on "The plight of Palestinian refugees in the Middle East"

Monday, 3 December 2007, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend.]

Panel discussion on the occasion of the International Day of Disabled Persons on the theme "Decent work for persons with disabilities" (organized by the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Monday, 3 December 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please visit <www.un.org/disabilities>; or contact the Department of Public Information (Mr. Edoardo Bellanda (tel. 1 (212) 963-8275; e-mail bellando@un.org); or Mr. Daniel Shepard (tel. 1 (212) 963-9495; e-mail ito@un.org)).]

Panel discussion on "From the United States to Africa to the Caribbean: Women at the front of the AIDS crisis" (sponsored by the United States Mission)

Tuesday, 4 December 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Peggy Kerry, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4054; e-mail kerry@state.gov).]

Briefing on "Transparency in extractive industries" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan)

Wednesday, 5 December 2007, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

[All Member States are invited to attend.]

Informal briefing on "Gender and AIDS" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark, with the support of UNIFEM, UNDP and UNAIDS)

Thursday, 6 December 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Dr. Victor Mari Ortega, UNAIDS (e-mail ortegav@unaids.org).]

Announcements

Preparations for the fifty-second session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-second session of the Commission on the Status of Women (25 February–7 March 2008), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives and innovative approaches to financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women; and (b) Capacity building on gender mainstreaming in relation to financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae outlining the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the theme of the panel. Information should be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail mcdougalls@un.org or selcuk@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than *today*, 30 November 2007. Further details on the panel discussions will be made available from 1 November on the DAW Web site (<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/52sess.htm#interactive>>).

General Assembly**List of candidates**

Delegations are kindly reminded that the list of candidates (an informal working paper) for the sixty-second session of the General Assembly and other information on elections and candidatures are available on CandiWeb at the following address:

<<https://secfn069.un.org/candiweb>>. Instructions to access the Web page can be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2337 or via e-mail to santomauro@un.org.

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-second session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued^d for all representatives to the sixty-second regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (room S-3420F or S-3420S; tel. 1 (212) 963-5358 or 963-5377).

Security Council**Web site of the presidency**

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.html>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

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Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 28 November 2007

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

Main Committees

Third Committee

54th meeting

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [66 (a)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.23/Rev.1

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Zambia, on behalf of the Southern African Development Community, made a statement, orally revised the draft resolution and announced that Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Croatia, Egypt, Japan, Moldova, Mongolia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, New Zealand, the Philippines, Poland, Serbia, Suriname and Uganda had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Australia, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belize, Bhutan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burkina Faso, China, Cyprus, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Iceland, Iraq, Israel, Jamaica, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Malta, Montenegro, Tunisia, Turkey and Ukraine also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.23/Rev.1, as orally revised, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of the United States and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of documents A/62/297 and A/62/259.

A statement was made by the representative of Portugal, on behalf of the European Union, in connection with draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.24/Rev.1, adopted at the 53rd meeting.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 66, as a whole.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [68]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.65/Rev.1 (and statement of programme budget implications contained in document A/C.3/62/L.90)

The representative of Pakistan, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, orally revised the draft resolution.

The Secretary read out an oral statement of programme budget implications in connection with the draft resolution, as orally revised, supplementing the statement of programme budget implications on the draft resolution, as contained in document A/C.3/62/L.90.

Saudi Arabia and Uzbekistan joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the representative of Israel.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.65/Rev.1, as orally revised, by a recorded vote of 119 to 45, with 6 abstentions.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Colombia, Portugal (on behalf of the European Union) and Armenia; after the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Japan.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of document A/62/488.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 68.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.40/Rev.1

The Secretary read out an oral statement of programme budget implications in connection with the draft resolution.

The representative of Mexico made a statement and announced that Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, the Congo, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Mali and the Sudan had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Belarus, the Comoros, the Gambia, Lebanon, Mali, Namibia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and Turkey also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.40/Rev.1, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of the United States.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.44 (and statement of programme budget implications contained in document A/C.3/62/L.91)

The attention of the Committee was drawn to the statement of programme budget implications contained in document A/C.3/62/L.91.

The representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo made a statement and announced that Angola, Belgium, Benin, Botswana, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, the Central African Republic, Chad, the Congo, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, France, Gabon, the Gambia, India, Portugal, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Uganda and the United Republic of Tanzania had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Austria, Bangladesh, the Comoros, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guinea, Lebanon, Lesotho, Mauritania, the Niger, Nigeria, Spain and Sri Lanka also joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the representative of the United States.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.44, without a vote.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Japan and the Cameroon.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.49

The Secretary read out an oral statement of programme budget implications in connection with the draft resolution.

The representative of Cuba, on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement, orally revised the draft resolution.

Grenada joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.49, as orally revised, by a recorded vote of 121 to 52, with 1 abstention.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States and Portugal (on behalf of the European Union); after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Colombia and Japan.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of a number of documents under the item.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of 70 (a), (b), (c) and (e) and 70 as a whole.

Programme planning [129]

The Chairman made a statement and the Committee concluded its consideration of agenda item 129.

Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [121]

Following statements by the representatives of Egypt, the Sudan, Benin and Uruguay, and clarifications made by the Secretary, the Committee approved its draft programme of work, as submitted by the Chairman in document A/C.3/62/L.86 and clarified by the Secretary, and decided to transmit it to the plenary of the General Assembly for approval.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 121.

Other matters

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, Cuba, Jamaica, the United Kingdom, Portugal (on behalf of the European Union), Angola (on behalf of the African States Group), Côte d'Ivoire, the Bahamas (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), China (on behalf of the Asian States Group), Slovenia (on behalf of the Eastern European States Group), Germany (on behalf of the Western European and Other States Group), Benin, Mexico (on behalf of Latin American and Caribbean States Group), Uruguay, Kuwait (on behalf of the Arab States Group) and the United States.

The Chairman also made a statement.

The Committee thus completed its work for the main part of the sixty-second session of the General Assembly.

Thursday, 29 November 2007

Security Council

5787th meeting (closed) *Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B*

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 29 November 2007, the Security Council, pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B, held its 5787th meeting in private with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

"The Security Council and the troop-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. William Lacy Swing, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

"Members of the Council, Mr. Swing, Lieutenant General Gaye and representatives of participating troop-contributing countries had an exchange of views."

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

58th plenary meeting

Question of Palestine

[18]

- (a) *Report of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (A/62/35)*
- (b) *Report of the Secretary-General (A/62/344)*
- (c) *Draft resolutions (A/62/L.18, A/62/L.19, A/62/L.20 and A/62/L.21)*

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

H.E. Mr. Paul Badji, Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, made a statement.

H.E. Mr. Saviour Borg, Rapporteur of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, made a statement in the course of which he introduced the report of the Committee A/62/35.

H.E. Mr. Yasir Abdrabou, Chairmen of the observer delegation of Palestine, made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement), Pakistan (on behalf of the Organization of the Islamic Conference), Egypt, Israel, Bahrain, Tunisia, the Syrian Arab Republic, Indonesia, Bangladesh and Yemen.

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

306th meeting

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

The Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People made a statement.

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The President of the Security Council made a statement.

The Secretary-General of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization read out a message from Mr. Mahmoud Abbas, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization and President of the Palestinian Authority.

The Vice-Chairman of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories made a statement.

The representative of Cuba read a message from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Cuba, on behalf of the Chair of the Non-Aligned Movement.

The representative of Ghana read a message from the President of Ghana, in his capacity as Chairman of the African Union.

The Observer for the League of Arab States read a message from the Secretary-General of the League of Arab States.

The representative of Pakistan read a message from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Pakistan, in his capacity as Chairman of the Thirty-fourth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers.

A representative of civil society organizations made a statement, on behalf of the International Coordinating Network on Palestine.

Messages on the occasion were received from the Heads of State of the following countries: Afghanistan, Algeria, Bahrain, Brazil, Chile, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Egypt, Guinea, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jordan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Maldives, Mauritania, Mexico, Namibia, Nicaragua, Niger, Pakistan, Qatar, Russian Federation, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates and Viet Nam.

Messages were received from the Heads of Governments of the following countries: Bangladesh, China, India, Mauritius and Thailand.

Messages were received from the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the following countries: Belarus, Colombia, Japan, Madagascar and Syrian Arab Republic.

Messages were received from the Governments of the Dominican Republic, Guyana, Lebanon and South Africa.

A message was received from the European Union and the Secretary-General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference.

Messages were received from the following civil society organizations: World Young Women's Christian Association, Bishop of Grahamstown and Archbishop-Elect of Cape Town on behalf of the Anglican Church of Southern Africa and International Coordinating Committee on Palestine.

A statement was made by the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations.

A concluding statement was made by the Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, New York, 13 February 1946

Accession: Turkmenistan (23 November 2007)¹

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, New York, 16 December 1966

Signature: Vanuatu (29 November 2007)

¹ Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *November 2007* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:

Angola

H.E. Mr. Ismael Abraão Gaspar Martins

Asian States:

China

H.E. Mr. Wang Guangya

Eastern European States:

Slovenia

H.E. Ms. Sanja Štiglic

Latin American and Caribbean States:

Saint Kitts and Nevis

H.E. Mr. Delano Frank Bart

Western European and other States:

Germany

H.E. Mr. Thomas Matussek

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Thursday, 29 November 2007.

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Meeting held on 9 October 2007, 10 a.m. [A C E F R S]

A/C.5/62/SR.6

Meeting held on 16 October 2007, 10 a.m. [A C E F R S]

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Items 43, 127 and 128 — Report of the Economic and Social Council — Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 — Revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive and resumed substantive sessions of 2007 — Seventeenth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 [A C E F R S]

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Item 100 — Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]

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Item 129 — Programme planning — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]

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A/62/412/Add.1	Item 40 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples — Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/62/414	Item 129 — Programme planning — Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/62/448	Item 80 — Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission — Report of the Sixth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/62/508-S/2007/631	Item 17 — The situation in the Middle East — Identical letters dated 24 October 2007 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
A/62/511*	Reissued for technical reasons [A C E F R S]

First Committee

A/C.1/62/INF/2/Add.1	Membership of the First Committee [A C E F R S (multilingual)]
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Second Committee

A/C.2/62/L.39	Item 54 (g) — Sustainable development: report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twenty-fourth session — Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Melanie Santizo-Sandoval (Guatemala), on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/62/L.14 [A C E F R S]
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Third Committee

A/C.3/62/L.65/Rev.1	Item 68 (b) — Elimination of racism and racial discrimination: comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action — Pakistan: revised draft resolution — Global efforts for the total elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action [A C E F R S]
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A/62/508-S/2007/631	Identical letters dated 24 October 2007 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2007/683	Draft resolution [A C E F R S]
S/Agenda/5785	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]
S/Agenda/5786	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]
S/RES/1786 (2007)	Adopted by the Security Council at its 5785th meeting, on 28 November 2007 [A C E F R S]

Secretariat

- ST/AI/2005/3/Amend.1 Administrative instruction amending administrative instruction ST/AI/2005/3 — Sick leave [E F (only)]
- ST/IC/2007/48 Information circular — Revised salary scales for staff in the General Service and related categories at Headquarters [E F (only)]

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